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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

The statutory members of the National Security Council have now approved the new NSC 10/ directive.

In giving his approval, the President volunteered the statement that he wished me to be responsible for seeing that quarterly or so, an oral report was made by you to the statutory members of the Council, at a meeting which might be held in his office, and to which he might invite one or two other people as he deemed desirable (for example, the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs). He was emphatic that he wished to have currently an over-all knowledge of the major elements of 10/ operations, and tended to brush aside the possibility that he would ever be in a position to disown responsibility for major undertakings. Of course, he would have no interest in day to day operations.

The approved version of the new paper will be issued in accordance with the usual very limited distribution, and will bear a new number.

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Special Assistant  
to the President

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